

Subject: Re: BMBA Response to FCC NAL

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Mr. Forsyth:

I am out of the US at the present but please call my office on Wed the 21st.....how have you been in the time since we met?

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Federal Communications Commission
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ATTN: Mr. James J. Brown
Deputy Division Chief

RE: Blue Mountain Broadcasting Association (BMBA) Class A stations K36EW, K28FT, and K22BI.

Dear Mr. Brown,

Last April at the NAB Convention in Las Vegas, I described to you my concern that the Renewal Applications for our three Class A-TV stations had not yet been approved and we didn't have a valid license hanging on our wall. The approval was being delayed over Children's TV Programming Report issues. You advised me to just wait until we heard from the FCC and that in the meantime, we were fully authorized to continue broadcasting. In December, 2008, we received NAL's for the three stations, and have responded to them within the time permitted.

I was advised by attorney Mr. Robert Thompson with Smithwick & Belendiuk, P.C., Washington, D.C., that when we eventually heard from the FCC regarding this matter, it would be prudent to notify you of our responses. BMBA is a non-profit, viewer-supported organization existing solely as a community service for the viewers in our Walla Walla Valley, and is the only station that provides local programming to our community. A fine of any amount would pose a financial handicap to the operation of our stations.

The attachments to this email contain copies of the NAL's, our responses, financial statements for the previous three years, and a letter of support from our Mayor in College Place, Washington.

We greatly appreciate the endeavors of the FCC in protecting our young viewers from exposure to any harmful programming. This is likewise our goal, and we do all we can to protect and educate the children of our community to grow into honorable and upstanding citizens. Our programming has a Christian focus, and violent or immoral programs are not allowed to be broadcast at any time. We maintain high standards, and desire to continue this service to our community. Anything you can do to help prevent financial hardship is greatly appreciated.

Thank you sincerely,

Jim Forsyth

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